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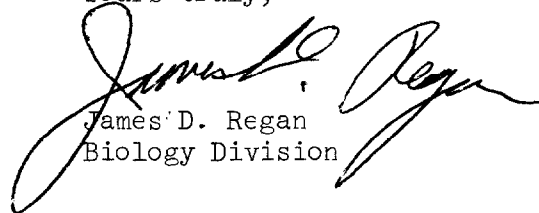
Dr. Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

In your newspaper column you recently discussed the work of Dr. James Cleaver on repair replication in Xeroderma pigmentosum. I therefore thought you might perhaps be interested in the results of our studies on the excision of ultraviolet-induced pyrimidine dimers in human cells. We have wished for sometime to extend these studies to the cells of Xeroderma but as yet have been unable to secure suitable cell cultures for this purpose.

I read your columns with interest and hope you will continue them.

Yours truly,


James D. Regan
Biology Division

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Enclosure